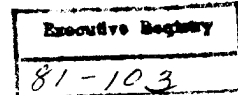


The Director
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Dear

It has been a great pleasure for me to have been able to display your painting, "Transfer Between the U.S.S. LEONARD F. MASON DD 352 and the U.S.S. NEW ORLEANS LPH-11 During Operation ENDSWEEP," in my Old Executive Office Building office during the past four years.

Your sensitive watercolor rendering of a transfer at sea by motor whaleboat captures perfectly a moment in at-sea operations which is so much a part of the life of every naval officer. It has given me a great deal of pleasure and has been remarked on by many visitors.

The very best of good wishes to you and I thank you for the use of your fine work.

Yours sincerely,

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